Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine [[(1)]] with a rotatably mounted cylinder drum [[(5)]], which comprises a central recess [[38)]] and a plurality of cylinder bores [[(6)]] extending approximately axially relative to the central recess [[(36)]], in which bores [[(6)]] pistons [[(7)]] are movably guided, which are supported on a swash plate [[(11)]] via guide shoes [[(8)]], which are guided in recesses [[(23)]] in a return plate [[(22)]], in the centrally arranged internal bore [[(25)]] in the return plate [[(22)]], the member [[(26)]] being exposed to a pretensioning force in the axial direction via at least one pressure pin [[(28)]] by means of a tension spring [[(27)]], ~~characterised in that~~ wherein each pressure pin [[(28)]] comprises a planar surface enlargement [[(43)]] radial relative to its longitudinal axis [[(34)]] at its bottom end [[(40)]] facing the return member [[(26)]].

2. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the return member [[(26)]] is exposed to a pretensioning force in the axial direction via plurality of pressure pins [[(28)]] by means of a tension spring [[(27)]].

3. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the pressure pins [[(28)]] are arranged equidistantly in a circle concentric to the central recess [[(38)]].

4. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 2 ~~or claim 3~~, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the pretensioning force of the tension spring [[(27)]] is transmitted to the pressure pins [[(28)]] via a spring washer [[(30)]].

5. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 4, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein each pressure pin [[(28)]] comprises a surface enlargement [[(32)]] radial relative to its longitudinal axis [[(34)]] at its top end [[(31)]] opposite its bottom end [[(40)]] and facing the spring washer [[(30)]].

6. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 5, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein a retaining hook [[(36, 44)]] is provided in each case at the outer edge of the two surface enlargements [[(32, 43)]] of each pressure pin [[(28)]].

7. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 6, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein each retaining hook [[(36, 44)]] at the end of the respective surface enlargement [[(32, 43)]] of each pressure pin [[(28)]] projects in each case approximately perpendicularly out of the bearing surface [[(35, 45)]] formed by the end face of a basic member [((34)]] and in each case the end face of the surface enlargement [[(32) and (43)]].

8. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 6 ~~or claim 7,~~ ~~characterised in that~~ wherein each retaining hook [[(44)]] at the end of the surface enlargement [[(43)]] at the bottom end [[(40)]] of each pressure pin [[(28)]] is introduced in each case into an opposing bore [[(47)]] in the return member [[(26)]].

9. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 6 ~~claims 6 to 8,~~ ~~characterised in that,~~ wherein at the top end [[(31)]] of the pressure pins [[(28)]], the retaining hooks [[(36)]] at the end of the surface enlargement [[(32)]] enclose the spring washer [[(30)]].

10. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 1, ~~claims 1 to 9, characterised in that~~ wherein the bearing surface [[(45)]], formed from the end face of the surface enlargement [[(43)]] and the end face of the basic member [[(34)]], at the bottom end [[(40)]] of each pressure pin [[(28)]] exhibits at least twice as large a surface area as the end face of the basic member [[(34)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]].

11. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to ~~any one of claims 5 to 9, characterised in that~~ claim 5, wherein the outer edges of the bearing surfaces [[(35)]] of the surface enlargements [[(32)]] at the top end [[(31)]] of two diametrically opposed pressure pins [[(28)]] exhibit a spacing which corresponds to the external diameter of the spring washer [[(30)]].

12. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to ~~any one of claims 5 to 9 or 11,~~ claim 5, wherein one or both of the two surface enlargements [[(32, 43)]] of each pressure pin [[(28)]] is/are provided on one side relative to the longitudinal axis [[(34)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]].

13. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 12, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein each pressure pin [[(28)]] exhibits the same length.

14. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according ~~to any one of claims 1 to 13, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein in the central recess [[(39)]] of the rotatably mounted cylinder drum [[(5)]], a shaft [[(4)]] acts in the manner of a drive by means of a spline profile and the pressure pins are guided through the spline profile.

15. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 14, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the surface enlargement [[(43)]] of each pressure pin [[(28)]] engages in a pocket [[(50)]] provided in the return member [[(26)]].

16. (Currently Amended) An axial piston machine according to claim 15, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein at the outer edge of at least one of the two surface enlargements [[(43)]] of each pressure pin [[(28)]], there is in each case provided a retaining hook [[(44)]] and in that the retaining hook [[(44)]] engages in each case in a recess [[(51)]] in the associated pocket [[(50)]].

17. (Currently Amended) A pressure pin [[(28)]] having a planar surface enlargement [[(32)]] provided at the top end [[(31)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]] ~~characterised in that~~ wherein a planar surface enlargement [[(43)]] is likewise provided at the bottom end [[(40)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]] opposite the top end [[(31)]].

18. (Currently Amended) A pressure pin according to claim 17, characterised in that wherein a retaining hook [[(36)]] and [[(44)]] is provided at the outer edge of each of the two surface enlargements [[(32, 43)]] of the pressure pin [[(20)]].

19. (Currently Amended) A pressure pin according to claim 18, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the retaining hook [[(36, 44)]] projects at the end of each of the two surface enlargements [[(32, 43)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]] in each case approximately perpendicularly out of the bearing surface [[(35, 45)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]] formed in each case by the end face of a basic member and the end face of the surface enlargement [[(32, 43)]].

20. (Currently Amended) A pressure pin according to ~~any one of claims 17 to 19,~~ ~~characterised in that~~ claim 17, wherein the bearing surface [[(45)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]] formed by the end face of the surface enlargement [[(43)]] at the bottom end [[(40)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]] and the end face of the basic member [[(34)]] exhibits at least twice as large a surface area as the end face of the basic member [[(34)]] of the pressure pin [[(28)]].

21. (Currently Amended) A pressure pin according to ~~claims 17 to 20~~ claim 17 ~~characterised in that~~ wherein one or both of the two surface enlargements [[(32, 43)]] of the